

Seattle Human Rights Commission

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, July 11, 2013, 6:00–8:00 p.m.
City Hall - Boards and Commissions Room

Commissioners Present:

Jessica Andrade, Katherine Beckett, Isabel Bussarakum, Nika Dahlbacka, Marsha Mavunkel, Catherine Moore, Marty Penner, Greg Ramirez, Christopher Stearns, Rich Stolz, Christina Ygoni, Jennifer Yogi

Commissioners Absent:

Alejandra Gonza, David Lujano, Michael Mitchell, Andrea Negrete

SOCR Staff Present:

Felicia Yearwood, Julie Nelson

Guest Speakers:

Carrie Ferrence, Councilmember Bruce Harrell

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

June 2013 minutes were approved as amended

Fiftieth Anniversary

Christina Ygoni reported that the World Affairs Council will secure the venue and speaker. The Commission could potentially fund the cost of a photographer, the physical awards, and the reception costs. The attendance goal is 300. Christina thanked Julie Nelson for the Office for Civil Rights' support of the event.

SOCR report

Felicia Yearwood, Julie Nelson

- Interns working on Race: Are We So Different at the Pacific Science Center
- Karina Bull new Business Liaison
- Convening Jobs Assistance Legislation Advisory Board; thanks to Katherine Beckett for serving on the board
- Planning citywide community based racial equity survey; thanks to Katherine Beckett for serving on the advisory committee
- Expect the City Auditor's report to be issued soon

Guest Speaker: Councilmember Bruce Harrell

Use of body cameras by SPD will begin with a six camera pilot program, with the support of the Department and the Mayor. State statute concerns have been resolved.

Appeals Chair: SHRC Chair appointed Marsha Mavunkel as Appeals Chair

Recognition: The commission recognized Chris' service as Chair with a resolution and Jessica's service with a certificate of appreciation

Adjourned at 7:50